



Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

Last weekend, you heard me mention about one of our parishioners who was seriously ill, and who has now passed into the Mercy of God. You also heard me mention that I'm in Omaha for a regular, five days week job. A number of people asked how, in moments of pastoral need, people are able to get in touch with me for the visits or for the Last Rites. Here are a few points:

Contact: During the work day, the best way to be in touch with me is by my office phone--(402) 827-3854--or email: sahastings@archomaha.org. After work hours, a call to the rectory is the best way to be in touch. Or, you can ask me for my cell phone and I'll be happy to share it; I simply prefer not to put it in print.

Hospital Calls: I regularly get hospital calls and am always happy to visit during the work day, if needed. (Hospital calls are super important.) If you are in the hospital and have an immediate emergency, it's important to ask the spiritual care office of the hospital, via the medical staff, to call the on-call chaplain. They are generally the fastest responders.

Home Visits: I do monthly First Friday calls. I am always open to visiting on other days upon request. We have a group of parishioners that is also ready to bring Holy Communion to the homebound.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are getting ready for major surgery or are suffering a serious illness, please ask for the Anointing of the Sick. After Mass, during week, by appointment--anything works.

Have a great week!

Best,
Fr. Scott

GUILD SOUP SUPPER, RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION

October 22nd Soup Supper, Raffle and Silent Auction
5:00-7:30pm

A to-go option will be available for the Ladies' Guild Soup Supper. Please see the insert in today's bulletin or the one emailed digitally.

The Silent Auction will be available in person after Mass, digitally (see QR code) and at the event October 22nd.

If you would like to donate raffle items or gift cards, please place gift cards or monetary donations in the Guild mailbox by Sharon's office. Raffle items can be placed in the kitchen for Julie Richards to pick up. Thank you for helping!

Silent Auction
Website



SoupSupper Sign Up

SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Frances Cabrini Parish will hold its famous Spaghetti Dinner on October 16th from noon until 6:00 pm. Adults are \$12 and children \$6. Take out or dine in available. All proceeds go to support All Saints School. Come hungry!

ENJOY A CUP OF SOLIDARITY EVERY MORNING!

Ixim: Spirit of Solidarity, the archdiocesan Guatemalan mission to support programs that ensure clean water, fund Catholic education, improve health and welfare, and strengthen the church in our sister diocese in Huehuetenango, Guatemala. Ixim sells high-quality coffee direct from our sister diocese, using all profits from sales to support the work of Ixim. Ixim coffee will be on sale Sunday event.

An 8 oz. bag of ground coffee is \$6
A 32 oz. bag of ground coffee is \$16
A 2.5 lb. bag of whole beans is \$24

FELLOWSHIP PLANNING TEAM

Join the Fellowship Planning Team on October 19th at 7:30p.m. at Laurie Fowler’s home: 20706 Cedar Heights Circle, Springfield. We will be planning fellowship events and entertainment during fish fries for the 2023 calendar year. Everyone is welcome!

THANK YOU

Once again, thank you so much for your generosity for the monthly charity drives. We are called to care for those in need and as a parish, we are answering that call every month. Throughout October we will be collecting items to make Blessing Bags for the homeless.



WHAT IS A BLESSING BAG?

Blessing bags are ziploc bags filled with items that are useful for those who are homeless. They include items like toothbrushes and toothpaste, shampoo, a pair of socks and underwear. They can also include water bottles, a roll of toilet paper, and a granola bar. You can order items from Amazon by clicking on the QR code on the Blessing Bag insert in the bulletin or using the following link

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2HFV8L443Z57L?ref=wl_share

Items will automatically be delivered to the church.

On November 19, we will have a parish fellowship event after Mass. We will build blessing bags using the items collected in October. People are encouraged to take a couple bags to keep in their cars to give to homeless people they may encounter.

The March 1 archdiocese podcast, Equipcast, has a podcast discussing blessing bags and the Least of My Brethren mission.

SET YOUR SOUL ABLAZE!

Join Father Michael Voithofer and Ablaze Ministry for a powerful evening with the Holy Spirit on Sunday, October 9th at 7 PM.

**ABLAZE WORSHIP
CASTING FIRE UPON THE EARTH**

The Ablaze ministry is dedicated to building up and strengthening the **Culture of Pentecost** within the Church. In John 17, Jesus prayed that *"they may all be one."* The Holy Spirit unites and brings believers together for the sole purpose of glorifying the Father through the Son by the power of the Holy Spirit. When this is happening, souls are being saved!

We expect this to be a very well attended event. To help us plan, please RSVP below:
christa@holyfamilyshrine.com

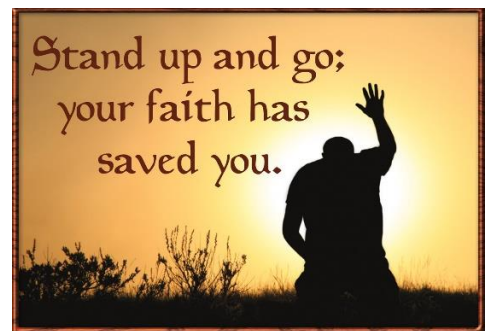
And, as always, come early and walk the grounds and check out the "Life is Beautiful" Art Show going on now in the Visitors Center.



If you change your name, marital status, address, phone number or email address, please notify the church office by phone or email so we can update our files. Thank you!

In Loving Memory

Please remember in your prayers Rod Lectenber, a life-long member of our parish, who passed away and was buried this past week. Our condolences to Rod’s wife, Lorraine and their children and grandchildren.



 **MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

OCTOBER 10 THRU OCTOBER 16

Monday	Priest's Intention	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Rich VanTassell +	6:45 a.m.
Wed.	Loretta DeMarco +	6:45 a.m.
Thur.	Steven Kotlarz +	6:45 a.m.
Friday	Bob Brestel +	6:45 a.m.
Saturday	All deceased priests of the archdiocese +	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	People of St. Joseph	9:00 a.m.



REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

For the sick: Sally Leyden, Jerry Martin, Wes Erhart, Marjorie Bauman, Frank Riha, Margaret Wilson, Paul Nitsick, Dennis Folkers

- Please let us know if a person needs to be removed from our Prayer List.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed., Oct. 12, RE, 6:15 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 16, Donut Sunday



SATURDAY, OCT. 15, 5:00 P.M.

EMHC: Kathleen Pratt
Lectors: Harold Starks-Ken Patry
Deacon: Dave Krueger
Greeters: Genene & Ron Bowen
Singers: Men's Choir-Candy Connery

SUNDAY OCT. 16, 9:00 A.M.

EMHC: Michelle Gustafson
Lectors: Joe Boro-Lisa Dierking
Deacon: Terry Ficenecc
Servers: Sciba Boys
Greeters: Donna Devine-Lin Kulm
Singers: Justin Hoskins-Candy Connery



OFFERING

Weekend of October 2

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 5309.00
Building Fund	\$ 245.00



MOWERS FOR THE WEEK OF:

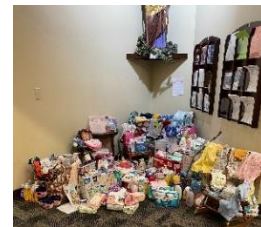
October 10 Carlson Family

DAY TRIP TO TRINITY HEIGHTS

The day trip to Trinity Heights will be on Monday, October 17 from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Please call Sharon to register. The bus has a 50 person limit. Non-parishioner friends are welcome. **Please have your check for \$50 per person, payable to St. Joseph Church.** You still have time to sign up.

LECTORS & EMHCs

Those of you who have signed up to be Lectors and EMHCs will be added to the next schedule which is for the first quarter of 2023.



THANK YOU

Thanks to the Guild and the parish for a VERY successful charity drive for September. The numbers of items are not exact but close! 914 diapers; 44 toiletry items; 3424 wipes; 100 bibs & burp clothes; 30 blankets & sheets; 75 bottles & nursing supplies; 25 toys; 200 clothing items. Also the Ladies Guild donated \$200 toward the purchase of some of the above items. The KOC also have committed to a cash donation of \$1200.00 toward purchase of infant Pak n Plays. What an incredible gift we are giving this organization that helps pregnant women and couples who are vulnerable for a variety of reasons. Bravo St Joseph's in Springfield!

OCTOBER CHARITY DRIVE

Blessing Bag Supplies

Join us after Mass on November 19 to
build the blessing bags.

WE ARE COLLECTING:

- *Toilet paper* Crew socks* Underwear
- *Travel size toiletries* Water bottles
- *Granola bars* Chapstick* Razors

You can click on the link or QR code to purchase
items from the Amazon Wish List. Items will be
shipped to the church.

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October 22nd Ladies' Guild Soup Supper Pre-Order Form

(Cash or Check Only)

Name:	Phone:
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Item	Quantity	Price Each	Total
Chicken Noodle Soup One Quart Container		\$8	
Chili One Quart Container		\$8	

Paid by Cash

Paid by Check



Write checks payable to Ladies' Guild. Place order form and **payment** in envelope and place in Guild mailbox by Sharon's office. Or mail to Ladies' Guild, 100 S. 9th Street, Springfield, NE 68059.

Pre-order form is due October 19th.

Pick up soup between 5:00-7:00pm in the RE Center.

One quart serves about 2.5 bowls of soup.

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Upcoming Parish Events

St. Joseph Church | www.stjosephspringfield.org

OCTOBER

1st: Archdiocesan Pastoral Conference @ 9am-12:30pm

8th: Saturday Night Fellowship

- MOVIE NIGHT 6:30pm (SING 2) @ Springfield Library

16th: Donut Sunday

17th: Trinity Heights Field Trip

19th: Senior Game Day

22nd: Soup Supper/Raffle

23rd: Discipleship 101 - Part 1

NOVEMBER

13th: Discipleship 101 - Part 2

16th: Senior Game Day

19th: Saturday Night Fellowship

- Blessing Bags and Brownies

20th: Donut Sunday

DECEMBER

3rd: Ladies Guild/Knights Christmas Dinner

4th: Living Nativity @ TBA

13th: Discipleship 101 - Part 3

17th: Saturday Night Fellowship

- Hayrack ride & Christmas Caroling

18th: Donut Sunday

21st: Senior Game Day